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SUBJECT : Deputy Director (Plans)

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1. At the Standing Group meeting this morning Mr. Gilpatric asked me the following unrelated questions:

(1) Specifically what are the "autonomous groups" referred to in [ ] paper approved at 5412 meeting last Thursday?

(2) Isn't the initial estimate of 37 percent [ ] votes terribly disappointing to all of us?

(3) Who is in charge in Cuba now during Castro's absence?

2. I told Gilpatric I would get more information on the autonomous groups; [ ]

[ ] and (3) I wasn't sure who, if anyone was actually in charge as the acknowledged deputy, but I would surmise that Che Guevara was probably pulling the strings.

3. Please give me <sup>44 03</sup> better answers so that I can telephone McNamara tomorrow, Wednesday, *after USIB*

SUSPENSE DATE: 1 May 1963  
cc: Ex Dir  
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Marshall S. Carter  
Lieutenant General, USA

Note: For action taken, see attachment.

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General Carter:

Mr.  dictated to me the answers to your questions contained in the attached memo:

1. While Fidel Castro is away, Raul Castro is in charge.

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If this answers your questions, Mr.  does not now need to talk STAT with you.

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Barbara (1 May)